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Mrs Abraham Manley

Dayton Ohio
April 14-1944

Dear Mrs Manley

I have your letter of April 12th. I am glad you mentioned about Mitchel. I have known about Kansas City Monarchs going to back his club for about a week. I think it is a D-shame for our no president of our league to let these Western league guys out smart him on every issue. I wrote Tom Wilson - Gottlieb and Cum when I heard it. Cool Papa was at Chin Greens home when Mitchel called Green and wanted him to play for him and told him Allen Johnson was not going to back his club but the Monarchs was and was sending him to the Middle West. Mrs Manley this is only a trick of Kansas City to get The Harrisburg players. I asked Tom Wilson to send out an announcement that the players of the Harrisburg Club belonged to the Negro National League and for the American League

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 not to meddle with them. If he stands for the other league to grab those players he might as well be president of their league. An other thing that has erked Sonny Man was he called Tom over long distance at Hot Springs and told him one of his pitchers was working in Homestead and was not going Baltimore he asked permission to take him on our training trip and we would work out a trade suitable to both clubs. He would not consent to this. Last year we agreed to let him use Chester Williams. if they could get him to report also sent them Christopher but still we only have Walker from last years pitching staff and he refused to help us ~~and~~ the league as if Washington has a weak club all the other clubs receipts will suffer. I have not heard from Mackey. Sorry you are to lose Wells. I am playing Baltimore in VA. May 15-16-17-18-19th. I am not booked for May 22 but

am playing Phila in Washington on 23rd and in Phil on 25th
Get after Tom Wilson about Mitchels Club.

Y.V.T. S.H.P.

P.S. Let me know if there is any way you could barnstorm
with us starting June 12 or 13th.